PERSONAL USE FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT **OF FISH & GAME**

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Issued at: Glennallen, Tuesday June 28, 2011 Emergency Order No. 3-RS-06-11

Effective 12:01 a.m. Monday July 4, 2011 Expiration Date: December 31, 2011, unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

Date:

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order amends the schedule for the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River for the period July 4 – July 10, 2011. The Chitina Subdistrict will be open from 12:01 a.m. Monday, July 4 until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 10.

REGULATION:

Consistent with the COPPER RIVER PERSONAL USE DIP NET SALMON FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN, 5 AAC 77.591, the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River District will be open from 12:01 a.m. Monday, July 4 through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 10.

Cora Campbell

Commissioner

by delegation to:

Mark A. Somerville

Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

During June 20 – June 26, there were 49,033 salmon counted past the Miles Lake sonar. The preseason projection for this period was 49,081 salmon, which is nearly equal to the sonar count. Copper River sockeye salmon migratory timing and the previous five-year average harvest and participation rates indicate sufficient numbers of salmon to maintain 168 hours of fishing time during the week of July 4 - July 10.

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